

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**Aventis Docket Number  
**ST98008A**In re Application of **CIOLINA ET AL.**Application Number **09/646,399**Filed **Nov. 1, 2000**For **Nucleic Acid Transfer Vectors, Compositions  
Containing Same and Uses**Group Art Unit **1636**Examiner **SITA, P.**

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension fees are as follows  
(check time period desired):

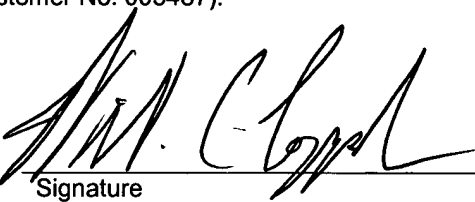
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| <input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))               | <u>\$ 110.00</u>   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))              | <u>\$ 410.00</u>   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | <u>\$ 930.00</u>   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))             | <u>\$ 1,450.00</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))             | <u>\$ 1,970.00</u> |

☒ The Commissioner has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number **18-1982**.  
I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the ☐ assignee of record of the entire interest.  
☐ applicant.  
☒ attorney or agent of record (Customer No. 005487).

May 9, 2003  
Date

  
Signature

William C. Coppola, Reg. No. 41,686  
Typed or Printed Name